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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT:	NATAN, ET AL.)	
SERIAL NO.:	09/677,198)	EXAMINER: MARSCHEL, A. H.
FILED:	OCTOBER 2, 2000)	ART UNIT: 1631
TITLE:	COLLOIDAL ROD PARTICLES AS NANOBAR CODES)	CONF. NO.: 7112

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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ELECTION

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Sir:

An Office Action was mailed in the above-captioned application on August 7, 2002. In such Office Action claims 1-86 were pending. Claims 1-86 were subject to restriction and/or election requirement. This Election document is submitted in response to said Office Action.

Restriction Requirement under 35 U.S.C. § 121

An election requirement was made to pending claims 1-86. The claims were placed into four groups:

Group I (claims 1-36, 48-54, and 65-68) drawn to a freestanding particle with a plurality of segments;

Group II (claims 37-47 and 55-64) drawn to an assembly of particles with a plurality of particle types therein;

Group III (claim 69-72) drawn to a method of encoding information about a material; and

Group IV (claims 73-86) drawn to a method for conducting an assay.

Additionally, the Examiner has imposed a specie election requirement for Groups I and II, the species being as follows:

Specie A: particles with segments but without additional functionalization; and

Specie B: particles with segments plus functionalization.

Furthermore, the Examiner has imposed a specie election requirement for Group IV, the species being as follows:

Specie A: single analyte assay; and

Specie B: plural analyte assay.

Applicant hereby elects to prosecute the claims of Group II, Specie B, claims 37-47 and claims 55-64. If it would be helpful to obtain favorable consideration of this case, the Examiner is encouraged to call and discuss this case with the undersigned.

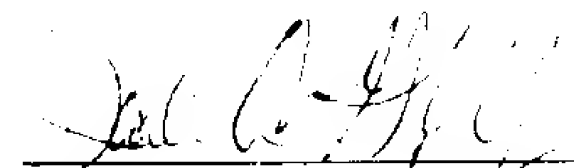
Change of Correspondence Address

The undersigned respectfully requests that he be recognized as the correspondence address for the instant case. A Change of Correspondence was filed in this case on March 11, 2002 and a copy is attached marked as Attachment A. Also enclosed is a copy of the date-stamped post card marked as Attachment B.

This constitutes a request for any needed extension of time and an authorization to charge all fees therefore to deposit account No. 19-5117, if not otherwise specifically requested. The undersigned hereby authorizes the charge of any fees created by the filing of this document or any deficiency of fees submitted herewith to be charged to deposit account No. 19-5117.

Respectfully submitted,

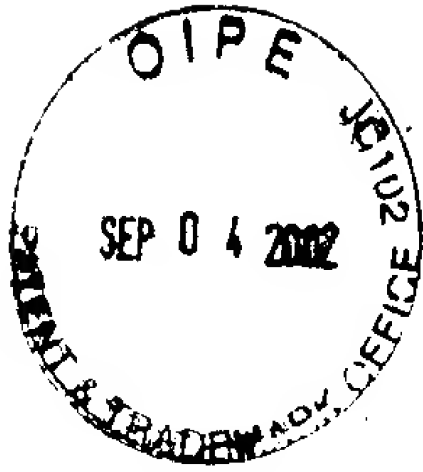
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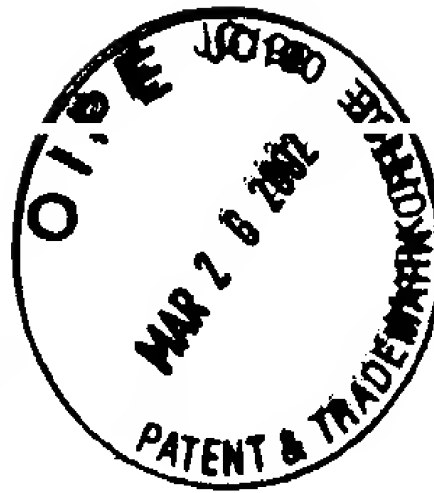
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An Associate Power of Attorney was filed in the referenced case on December 29, 2000, a copy of which is attached. I am the attorney of record.

Please associate this case with Customer No. 25871

Respectfully submitted,

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